

## **AMENDMENTS**

## In the claims

Pleas amend Claims 1, 19 and 30 as follows:

Please cancel Claims 10, 20 and 21, without prejudice.

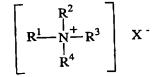
1. (Once Amended) A composition for controlling plant and flower moisture transpiration, said composition comprising:

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- a) from about 0.5% by weight, of a source of energy;
- b) from about 0.05 % by weight, of one or more antimicrobials;
- c) from about 0.98% by weight, of a buffer and
- d) the balance carriers and adjunct ingredients

wherein said antimicrobial is selected from the group consisting of 2-methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one, 5-chloro-2-methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one, and mixtures thereof.

- 10. A composition according to Claim 1 wherein said antimicrobial is selected from the group consisting of 2 methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one, 5-chlore-2 methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one, and mixtures thereof.
- 19. (Once Amended) An aqueous composition for controlling plant and flower moisture transpiration, said composition comprising:
  - a) from about 0.1% by weight, of a source of energy;
  - b) from about 1 ppm by weight, of an antimicrobial system, said system comprising:
    - i) from 1% to 99% by weight, of said system, of one or more isothiazolone antimicrobials;
    - ii) from 1% to 99% by weight, of said system, of one or more antimicrobials having the formula:



wherein  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  are each independently  $C_8$ - $C_{20}$  linear or branched alkyl, benzyl, and mixtures thereof;  $R^3$  and  $R^4$  are each independently  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl, and mixtures thereof; X is an anion of sufficient charge to provide electronic neutrality;

- c) from about 10 ppm by weight, of a buffer; and
- d) the balance carriers and adjunct ingredients;

wherien, in at least one antimicrobial,  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  are ach  $C_{12}$  alkyl; or one of  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  is a mixture of n-alkyl units; or one of  $R^1$  or  $R^2$  is benzyl.

- 20. A composition according to Claim 19 wherein at least one antimicrobial comprises R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> are each C<sub>12</sub> alkyl; R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are each methyl; X is chlorine.
- 21.— A composition according to Claim 19 wherein at least one antimicrobial comprises  $\mathbb{R}^4$  is a mixture of  $\mathbb{C}_{12}$   $\mathbb{C}_{16}$  alkyl;  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is benzyl,  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathbb{R}^4$  are each methyl; X is chlorine.
- 31. (Once Amended) A non-liquid composition for controlling plant and flower moisture transpiration, said composition comprising:
  - a) from about 75% by weight, of a source of energy;
  - b) from about 0.05% by weight, of one or more antimicrobials;
  - c) from about 0.01% by weight, of a buffer; and
  - d) one or more adjunct ingredients.

